

Appendix B

Field Artillery Command Relationships

B-1. FA units will be integrated into the Army force structure in accordance with one of the following specific command relationships:

- **Organic.** FA units are organic when they form an integral part of a military organization as shown in TOEs or MTOEs. Examples are FA cannon howitzer batteries organic to cavalry squadrons in an ACR.
- **Assigned.** FA units in an assigned status are placed into an organization on a relatively permanent basis. A commander has the same degree of C2 over assigned units as he does over organic units. An example is the FA brigade HHB assigned to a corps.
- **Attached.** Attached units are placed into an organization on a relatively temporary basis. Subject to limitations stated in the attachment order, the receiving commander has the same degree of control over attached units as he does over organic units. The maneuver unit must provide logistic and administrative support when FA units are attached. An example is an FA brigade attached to an ACR to support a covering force operation.
- **OPCON.** Generally, OPCON has the same intent as attachment but without the receiving unit assuming responsibility for administrative or logistic support. An example is when an FA battalion is DS to an ACR and the ACR-organic howitzer battery is OPCON to the FA battalion. OPCON is often used between maneuver elements but rarely to establish command relationships among maneuver and FA units.